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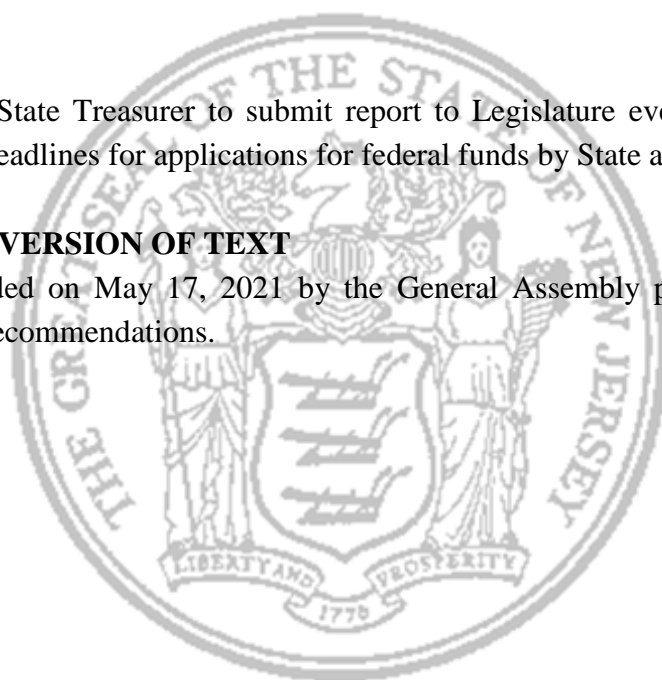
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SYNOPSIS

Requires State Treasurer to submit report to Legislature every six months identifying deadlines for applications for federal funds by State agencies.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended on May 17, 2021 by the General Assembly pursuant to the Governor's recommendations.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/20/2021)

1 AN ACT ¹**【**concerning deadlines for applications by State agencies
 2 for federal funds**】** establishing a Grants Management Office¹ and
 3 supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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 5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
 6 of New Jersey:

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 8 1. ¹**【**The State Treasurer**】** a. There is established in the
 9 Department of the Treasury a Grants Management Office to
 10 improve efficiency, streamline processes, reduce administrative
 11 burdens on both granting agencies and grant recipients, and
 12 facilitate development and implementation of a Statewide
 13 centralized grants management and accountability system.

14 b. The office shall be under the immediate supervision of a
 15 director, who shall report to the State Treasurer and who shall be a
 16 person qualified by training and experience to direct the work of
 17 such office. The director shall administer the work of the office and
 18 shall perform such other functions of the office as necessary to
 19 implement the provisions of P.L. . c. (C.) (pending
 20 before the Legislature as this bill).

21 c. The Director of the Grants Management Office shall:

22 (1) distribute federal grant notices, coordinate applications, and
 23 provide information on the grant process to departments;

24 (2) distribute weekly information produced by the Federal
 25 Funds Information for States of grant opportunities to departments;

26 (3) coordinate with liaisons designated by each department to
 27 determine department interest in grant opportunities;

28 (4) create and maintain a database of active grants from
 29 announcement and application through award, execution, and
 30 compliance;

31 (5) investigate whether applications for federal funds were
 32 submitted appropriately and in accordance with relevant deadlines,
 33 laws, rules and regulations and policies;

34 (6) act as a compliance officer to monitor and audit grants;

35 (7) conduct outreach to municipal, county, non-profit, and other
 36 interested stakeholders concerning State and federal grants
 37 opportunities;

38 (8) create and distribute training tools, standard operating
 39 procedures, and best practices guidelines; and

40 (9) produce seminars and events, including annual conferences
 41 for stateholders.

42 d. The Director of the Grants Management Office is authorized
 43 to call upon any Executive Branch department or agency, including

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】** in the above bill is
 not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly amendments adopted in accordance with Governor's
 recommendations May 17, 2021.

1 staff in the Governor's Office, to supply the Grants Management
2 Office with information or other assistance as the director
3 determines necessary. Each Executive Branch department and
4 agency is hereby required, to the extent not inconsistent with law, to
5 cooperate fully with the director within the limits of each
6 department's or agency's statutory authority, and to furnish such
7 assistance on as timely a basis as is necessary to accomplish the
8 purpose of this law.

9 e. The Director of the Grants Management Office¹ shall submit
10 to the Legislature, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164
11 (C.52:14-19.1), ¹at intervals of six months, annually¹ a report
12 ¹identifying the deadlines, occurring in the six that describes all
13 federal funds received by State agencies in the preceding fiscal
14 year. Months immediately following the date of the report, for
15 applications by State agencies within, or in but not of, the Executive
16 Branch of State government for federal funds from or for any
17 program, project, or purpose. The first report shall be submitted
18 within 30 days following the effective date of this act,
19 P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

20 Each report shall:

21 describe in reasonable detail the program, project, or purpose;

22 identify the federal law or regulation pursuant to which the
23 program, project, or purpose was created and the funds have been
24 made available;

25 provide the address for the federal website that provides
26 information on the program, project, or purpose and the available
27 funds;

28 provide the name and address of the federal office or official to
29 which or to whom the application for funds is to be submitted;

30 explain in reasonable detail why a deadline has not or will not be
31 met and whether an extension has or will be granted;

32 summarize the history of the receipt of such funds for such
33 programs, projects, or purposes by the State within the past 10
34 years;

35 provide a list of reports prepared on the use of such funds in the
36 past and the location of those reports; and

37 provide such other information as the President of the Senate or
38 the Speaker of the General Assembly may request.¹

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40 2. This act shall take effect immediately.